

REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) 2261 Walton Way, Augusta, Georgia 30904

#### SOUNDING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

MINUTE FOR MISSION Rev. Leon Dorleans

PRELUDE Come, Thou Fount David Gale

INTROIT Together We Serve Daniel Charles Damon

(b. 1955)

Together, by grace, we witness and work, remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong. Together we serve in Spirit and truth, remembering love is the strength of our song.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP1 Dr. Casto-Waters

Let us be known as children of the Most High.

We will love our enemies and do good to those who hate us.

Let us be known as disciples of Christ.

We will bless those who curse us and pray for those who wrong us.

Let us be known as heirs of the Spirit.

We will be merciful, even as our God is merciful.

Let us be known as beloved and those who share love.

We will worship the Lord with joy and thanksgiving!

\*HYMN 33 Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

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#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Lord of rebels and rule followers, we chaff at the idea of you loving us all equally. We want you to punish our enemies and overlook our sins. We want you to allow us to judge others but not be judged ourselves. And you hear us in our pettiness and our condemnations, and still call us your beloved. You are patient in the face of our impatience. You are forgiving in the face of our unforgiveness. You are loving beyond all reason, and we are humbled by your grace. Help us to recognize your transformative work in us so that we may come to understand the infinite power of love to change and unite us, one people, beloved beyond the bounds of imagination.

### \*SILENCE

#### \*DECLARATION OF PARDON

Luke's Gospel reminds us: Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Christ is the judge judged in our place, the one who forgives, and who gives us new life.

We rejoice in the Lord, whose path opens the way to freedom and hope for all who have ears to hear and hearts to receive. Thanks be to God! Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. David Freeman

(Following the Children's Moment, K-2nd graders are dismissed to Children's Church / Angel Choir.)

\*HYMN 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian in My Heart I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Casto-Waters

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:27-38

**SERMON** 

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help, I've come; And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger wand'ring from the fold of God; He to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee: Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Boyd Lien

OFFERTORY Prayer

Fernan Halphen (1872—1917)

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Ellsworth-Moran

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIAN

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

May the Road Rise to Meet You

OLD IRISH BLESSING

**Flowers**—The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Merritt C. and Mrs. Mary S. Whelchel by their children, Mary Ruth, Frankie, Libby, and Merritt.

Please contact Mrs. Dianne Brown (706-799-8501) if you are interested in providing flowers for our worship services.

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<sup>\*</sup>All who are able please stand

<sup>1</sup> Written by B.J. Beu, adapted

# Sunday, February 16, 2025

# **Participating in Worship**

Worship Leaders

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran Rev. Boyd Lien Rev. Leon Dorleans Dr. David Freeman

Musicians

Dr. Wayne Lord Chancel Choir Dr. Christine Crookall, Cello

> Friendship Pad Pick-up Nancy McCord

> > Acolyte Addie Slater

#### Ushers

Reab Berry William Harper
Richard Welsh Brannon Sell
Michael Harper Reab Berry, Jr.
Harrison Harper Harry Welsh
Bert Gary

#### **STAFF**

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, Pastor, ext. 303
Reverend Nadine Ellsworth-Moran, Associate Pastor, ext. 301
Reverend Boyd Lien, Parish Associate, ext. 314
Dr. Wayne Lord, Organist/Choirmaster, ext. 315
Mrs. Jenny Davison, Children's Music Assistant
Ms. Joy Maple, Director of Christian Education, ext. 305
Mrs. Anna Sanders, Director of Mother's Day Out and Preschool, ext. 309
Mrs. Dawn McCraith, Director of Operations, ext. 302
Mrs. Becky Godbee, Communications Liaison, ext. 300
Mrs. Jenn Harrison, Financial Assistant, ext. 307
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# SESSION (ELDERS)

Denise Rosenzweig, Clerk

Class of 2027 Class of 2025 Class of 2026 Bill Davison Shell Berry Dana Cook-Cheape Jennifer Frantom Indee Few Benton Johnson Richard Sasnett David Freeman Iohn Franklin lean McKnight Seth Harbin Charlene Sizemore Amanda Mills Jed Howington **Bob Speaks** Richard Morgan Cheryl Wilson

## **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Linda Boyd, Moderator

Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Linda Boyd	Jamie Driver
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Judy Brigham	Sumner Markwalter
Jan Markle	Jones Miller
Carla Owen	Mary-Meghan Olmo
Gail Owens	Brannon Sell
Harry Snowdy	Sandra Wade
	Susan Wilson

# Class of 2027 Alice Bielewicz Mary Anne Franklin Tommy Jones Lillian Magruder Myra Naglich Patty Reece Patrick Wells Bette Wright



## **ACTIVE STEPHEN LEADERS**

Myra Naglich Mandy Boland Jones Miller

Text Myra for confidential inquiry / support: 706-631-0879

#### **ACTIVE STEPHEN MINISTERS**

Jamie Driver
Becky Godbee
Joy Maple
Barbara Miller
Sonny Reece
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Holly Harbin
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Ann Overstreet
Clay Stallworth
Jenn Wilson



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